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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re Application of:**

David A. Offord et al.)))
Serial No.: 10/624,095)	Art Unit:	1771
Filed on: July 21, 2003)	Examiner:	not assigned
For: Composite Fibrous Substrates Having Carbohydrate Sheaths)	<u>PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT</u>	

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Sir:

The present paper is submitted as a Preliminary Amendment to correct the priority information for this application. In addition to the amendment to the specification discussed herein, this Preliminary Amendment is forwarded with a Supplemental ADS, also reflecting the corrected priority information.

Please amend the application by amending the first paragraph on page 1 of the specification, as indicated in the complete listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Specification is reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.